Helpful Hints for PRS

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This document contains information that *may* help you when using PRS to check your reporting progress or fix any errors you may have in your reporting. These are simply suggestions, there are still many more ways to query data in PRS. Make sure to utilize the Reporting Tab in Toolkit to actually report practices and use PRS to review and make needed corrections.

1. Pulling Reports

Make sure to pull **Report 6.13 BY PROGRAM** to review your goals and accomplishments. Viewing all county goals with no program selected will not help you in determining what you have and have not accomplished.

2. Using the PRS Worklist to Query Information

The **PRS Worklist** is a good place to start when you want to find out what you have or have not entered, or even what you've entered incorrectly.

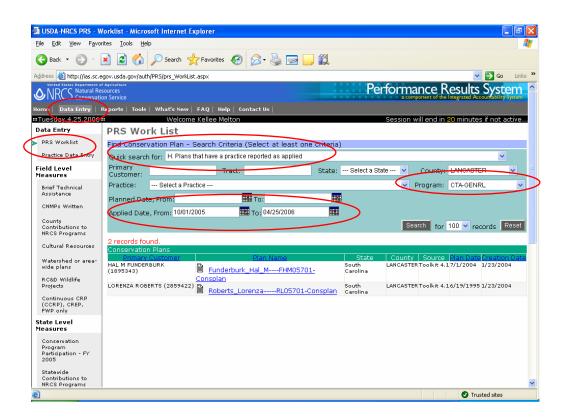
Example: Your report shows that you have reported progress under **CTA-GEN** but your actual goal is under **CTA-GLC**. Oops! That means you forgot to select CTA-GLC on your grazingland and the computer defaulted to CTA-GEN.

So, how do you find out what you applied under CTA-GEN so far?

- Under Data Entry, click on the PRS Worklist
- You can select from many different queries, but try selecting
 H. Plans that have a practice reported as applied
- Select CTA-GEN under the Program column
- In the Applied Date section enter
 From 10/01/2005 to Today (for this fiscal year)
- Click Search

This will pull all the records where you have **APPLIED** a practice this year under **CTA-GEN**. You can then call up one of the plans, investigate it, and if need be, change the program code to CTA-GLC (or whatever it needs to be).

Try out any of the Quick Searches to query information you have already entered, but always make sure to enter either the Planned Date range or Applied Date range for this fiscal year. If you don't, you may not get what you're looking for.



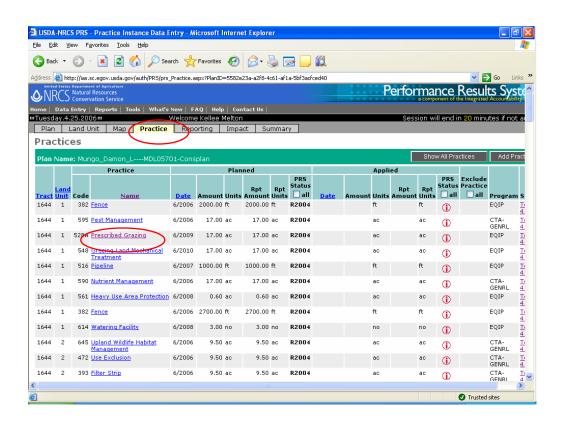
3. Correcting Practice Codes or Program Assignments

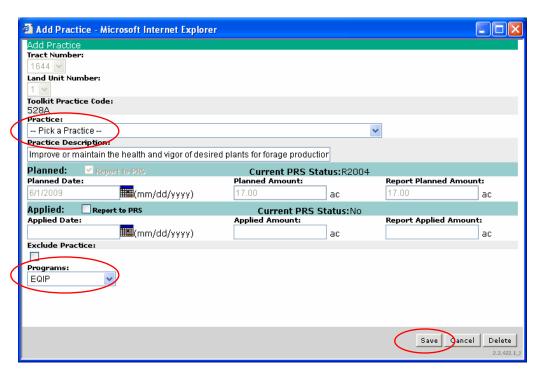
If your reports show that you have reported practices to the wrong program you can make that correction in **PRS**.

DO NOT TRY TO MAKE IT IN TOOLKIT. Remember, Toolkit becomes read only once the practice has been reported as Applied. And, any **changes in PRS reflect in Toolkit**.

- Open the Customer's Plan in PRS
- Click on the Practice Tab
- Click on the Practice Name (in blue) to open the record of that practice.
- Select a new Program and click SAVE
- Once you have made all corrections, make sure to click the SAVE PRS STATUS button (at the bottom of the Practice screen) to save all changes.
- This same process also works to change the practice that has been reported for situations where the practice code has changed midyear like 329A and 528A.

NOTE: Changes will not be reflected in the Reports section until PRS does the next report update. Look at the bottom of the PRS Homepage to see when the last update was.

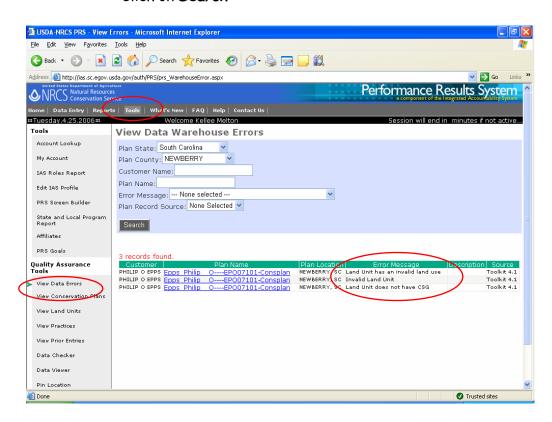




4. Using the View Data Errors

To pull a report on customer plans that have reporting errors in them you can use the **VIEW DATA ERRORS** option under the **Tools** menu. This will show you if you have Conservation System Guides missing, Lat/Long missing, etc.

- Click on Tools
- On the left side of the screen, click on View Data Errors
- Select the State and County
- Click on Search

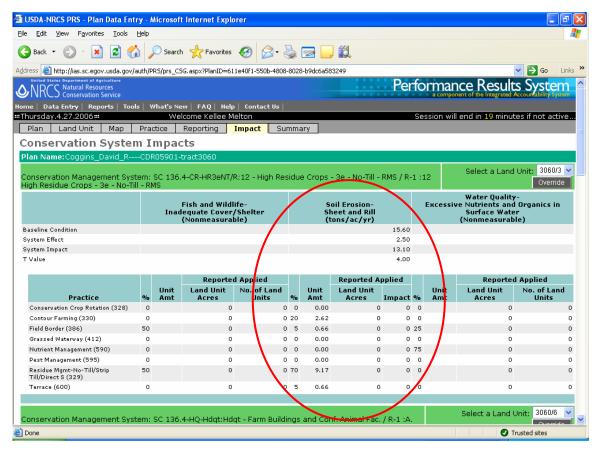


5. Using the Impact Screen in PRS to Monitor Reporting

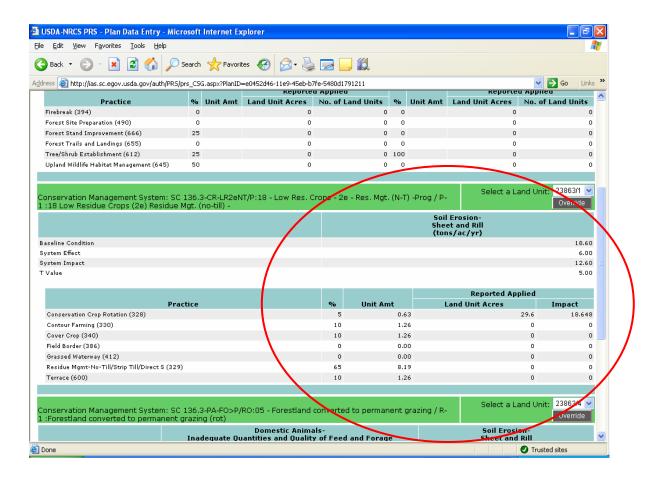
This screen will show you exactly what practices you have reported **AND** gotten credit for. It lists the CSG selected for the field, shows the percentage of the practices that you could credit for, the amount of the practice you are getting credit for, and what the impact of that practice is.

BOTTOMLINE, if the IMPACT column is blank, you've gotten no credit under that measure!

EXAMPLE CALCULATIONS OF PROGRESS:



Here, the FO did not get progress reported toward Soil Erosion Tons because no practices were applied that went toward that goal. Under Soil Erosion, Sheet and Rill, O acres were reported on 330, 386, 329, or 600. Those are the practices that have progress percentages tied to them to address Sheet and Rill erosion. Also, you should note that the **IMPACT column** has 0 all the way down. This also shows that no progress has been reported.

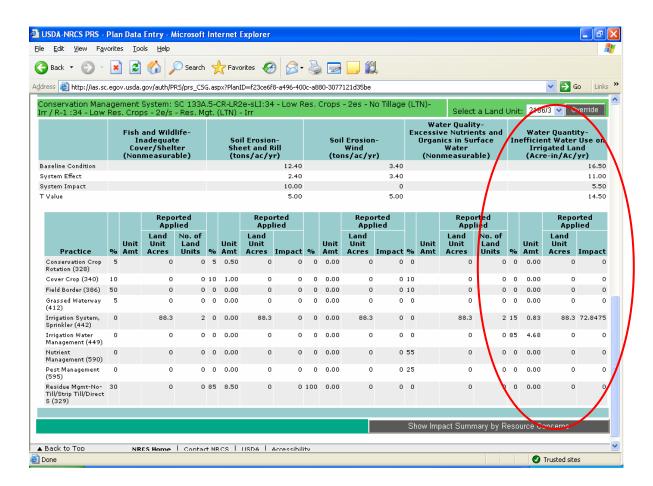


In this screen, the FO did get credit toward the Soil Erosion Tons goal because a practice associated to that goal was reported. Note that there is a number in the IMPACT column.

Try to follow this calculation from the above example:

- Conservation Crop Rotation (328) was reported on 29.6 Acres.
- 328 is responsible for 5% of the progress according to the specific guide that was chosen
- The guide chosen shows that you get 12.60 tons/ac/yr of tons saved under Sheet and Rill erosion. This is the "System Impact."
- If you multiply the acres reported by the System Impact and take 5% of that, you will get the number that actually represents your reportable progress...which is considered the "Impact"
 - i.e 29.6 acres X 12.60 tons/ac/yr = 372.96 372.96 X 0.05 = 18.648

18.648 is the actual number you see in the Impact column. This is the number that is calculated toward your goal.



This is another example calculation, but this time involving Water Quantity - Inefficient Water Use.

- Irrigation System, Sprinkler (442) was reported on 88.3 Acres.
- 442 is responsible for 15% of the progress according to the specific guide that was chosen.
- The guide shows that you get 5.50 Acre-in/Ac/yr of water saved under Inefficient Water Use. This is the "System Impact."
- If you multiply the acres reported by the System Impact and take 15% of that, you will get the number that actually represents your reportable progress...which is considered the "Impact"
 - i.e 88.3 acres X 5.50 Acre-in/Ac/yr = 485.65 485.65 X 0.15 = 72.8475

72.8475 is the actual number you see in the Impact column. This is the number that is calculated toward your goal. Remember, there is a conversion that has to be made on this one because the guide is in Ac-in and the goal is in Ac-ft. So this is not directly the number you get credit for.

Note: If the FO were to report 449, which is responsible for the other 85%, they would get another 412.8025 of credit.